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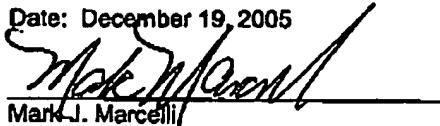
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 19, 2005

Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action dated September 19, 2005, please re-examine and reconsider the above-identified application according to the amendments and remarks provided in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.